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A review of the amendment filed on August 27 2003, contains a clean copy of the pending claims 1-22, wherein claim 17 was incorrectly numbered as claim 18 in the "marked up" copy filed on May 24, 2001 and which is acknowledged by the examiner.

Upon reviewing the claims, it is noted that the claims (specially claim 1) still does not match with the finally rejected claims and also submitted in the Appeal brief of dated 12/24/02 because claim 1 is presented as the after final amendment filed September 30,2001, which is not entered.

In order to resolve the confusion mentioned in the previous office communication, Applicants only mention that claim 18 at page 31 of the "marked up copy" is incorrectly numbered but did not mention any solution of the "marked up" version of claims 15-20 at pages 28-29 and another set of marked up version of claims 15-20 at pages 30-33 filed on may 24, 2001.

It is noted that the "marked up" copy should numbered claims 15-20 at pages 28-29 as claims 9-14.

It is suggested that applicants should resolve the confusion with the above mentioned "marked-up" copy.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Shamim Ahmed whose telephone number is (571)-272-1457. The examiner can normally be reached on M-Thu (7:00-5:30) Every Friday Off.If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nadine Norton can be reached on (571) 272-1465. The fax phone numbers for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned are (703)-872-9310 for regular communications and (703) 872-9311 for After Final communications.Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding should be directed to the receptionist whose telephone number is (703) 308-0661.

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